Implementation of Chavda Committee Report

146. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Chavda Committee Report was laid on the Table of both the Houses;

(b) whether it is also a fact that all the recommendations of Chavda Committee were accepted by the Government;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Committee recommended that public sector companies would not distribute imported drugs which are in their production list ;

(d) whether it is also a fact that Committee recommended that difference between the sale price and landed cost of import should be recovered ;

(e) whether it is a fact that IDPL and HAL have imported and distributed drugs of their production line;

(f) whether it is also a fact that recommendations of Chavda Committee still stand valid and there is no amendment;

(g) if so, under what circumstances public sector units imported and distributed the drugs;

(h) whether his Ministry recovered the differences; and

(i) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (i) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Price control on Tranquilizers

147. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of tranquilizers which are produced by multinational drug companies in the country;

(b) what are the names of drugs where multinational drug companies have monopoly or heavy concentration;

(c) whether it is *?* fact that the most of the tranquilizers are being imported;

(d) if so, names of tranquilizers and the companies importing the same:

(e) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has decontrolled the prices of formulations based on these tranquillizers; and

(f) whether it is a fact that the price decontrol has encouraged the over invoicing?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) This Department monitors the production of only two tranquillizers, namely, Phenobarbitone/Penobarbitone Sodium and Diazepam, of these, only Diazepam is produced by a FERA company, namely, M/s. Reche Products and its production during 1987-88 was only 0- 99 MT out of a total production of 10- 34 MT in the organised sector.

(c) and (d) Details of imports of drugs are published in the Monthly statistics for foreign trade in lndia, Vol. II copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

(e) As per Drugs (Prices Control) Amendment Order, 1989 notified on